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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Secretary's Office  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Attn: Patrick Forster, Senior Engineer - Policy Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau

Re: Pine Belt Cellular, Inc.  
Fourth Quarter 2002 TTY Status Report – CC Docket No. 94-102

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pine Belt Cellular, Inc. hereby submits its quarterly TTY status report for the fourth quarter, 2002, pursuant to the Commission's directive in the ***Fourth Report and Order*** (released December 14, 2000) and Order (released June 28, 2002)<sup>1</sup> in this docket.

Please contact the undersigned with any questions or concerns

By: 

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Attachment

<sup>1</sup> *In the Matter of Revision of the Commission's Rules to Ensure Compatibility with Enhanced 911 Emergency Calling Systems*, Order, CC Docket 94-102, para. 24 (rel. June 28, 2002) (Commission requiring that quarter reports continue for carriers seeking additional time).

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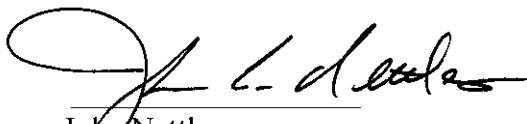
**PINE BELT CELLULAR, INC.**  
**TTY STATUS REPORT**  
**October 15, 2002**

Pine Belt Cellular, Inc ("Pine Belt") filed a Petition for Waiver of the TTY requirements on June 28, 2002 ("Petition"). The Petition addresses the status of Pine Belt's efforts to comply with the TTY requirements and is currently pending before the Commission. Pine Belt's waiver request **seeks** a temporary waiver, until March 31, 2003, of the TTY deadline on the basis that before that date, it would be inequitable, unduly burdensome and contrary to the public interest to require Pine Belt to make the expensive upgrades required to make its CDMA system TTY-compatible

As an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier in the State of Alabama, Pine Belt is eligible to receive Universal Service Funding (USF). The amount of funding is currently unknown, however, and Pine Belt is unable at this time to determine whether the USF monies will be sufficient to fund the upgrade in time for the company to be in compliance with the FCC's TTY requirements by March 31, 2003.

No further developments have occurred since the date Pine Belt filed the Petition

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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John Nettles  
President